

APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES LETTERS PATENT

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named inventor, I declare that:

CATACOTA ABOUT My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

"STEEL SHEET AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME"

the specification of which was filed January 11, 2002 has been accorded SN 10/043,903.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of said specification, including the claims. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56.

I claim priority benefits under 35 USC §119 of: (i) any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below; or (ii) any United States provisional application(s) listed below; and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application(s) on which priority is claimed.

COUNTRY	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED
Japan	2000-183870	20 JUNE 2000	yes X no yes X no
Japan	2000-183871	20 JUNE 2000	
Japan	2000-195437	29 JUNE 2000	
Japan	2000-195438	29 JUNE 2000	yes_X no
Japan	2000-198652	30 JUNE 2000	yes_X no

I claim priority benefits under-35 USC 120 of International Application PCT/JP01/05209 filed 19 June 2001

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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